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FRIDAY, JULY 28.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce TOM SPURRIER, of Grayson county, as a candidate for Congress, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Republican primary, Saturday, August 5, 1916.

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of J. H. ASHLOCK, of Hardin county, for the Republican nomination for Congressman from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the primary election Saturday, August 5, 1916.

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of HON. JOHN P. HASWELL, of Breckinridge county, for the Republican nomination for Congressman from the Fourth District. Subject to the primary election Saturday, August 5, 1916.

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of A. D. KIRK for the Republican nomination for county attorney of Ohio county. Subject to the action of the Primary Election, Saturday, August 5, 1916.

Along certain lines in France the Allies are doing some fighting.

The Deutschland seems to be very fond of these good old United States.

5,000 cruel hearted, merciless dentists are meeting in Louisville. Even thoughts of it make our teeth chatter.

So far we have failed to hear of former Governor McCreary expressing his opinion of the financial standing of the Kentucky Rural Credits Association.

Premier Asquith has asked the House of Commons for an appropriation of \$450,000,000. This is the largest sum asked for since the beginning of the war.

With that Jewish instinct he has for appointing officials it seems that President Wilson might have talked Denmark down to \$24,999,999 on that West Indies deal.

Because he held a cork in his hand the life of a Eastern Kentucky man was saved when lightning struck a rod that he carried. We always was "kinder skeered" of lightning.

What that British cruiser saw that came within the three mile limit Tuesday and took a peep at Fortress Monroe must not have appeared inviting for she turned around and steamed right out again.

Gen. Bliss in his report to the Government on conditions along the border says many of the guardsmen prefer the food they are getting there to what they are used to at home. Perhaps that's the reason why Villa likes to cross over.

Frank Gotch announces that he will never again go on the mat. We can see where the old fox is right. If we had been declared the undefeated champion of the world and had profited from the wrestling game as Gotch has, we would hesitate to place our dainty even on a door mat.

Instead for dickering for the West Indies we are in favor of taking Mexico, swapping her population to England for the Irish and paying the difference in cash. We could solve the government problem in about fifteen minutes by giving to the dear old Irish what many of their forefathers so gallantly helped our forefathers give us.

For once since we can remember a sewer has been put down across a Hartford street and the dirt and rock replaced without leaving a ridge that would do credit to the ancient Mound Builders. The honor belongs to Chief Williams, who directly superintended the work. While not

fortunate enough to own an automobile ourselves, may not even a Ford, we are not selfish enough to enjoy seeing those who do go skyward when driving along a street that would but for carelessness be in fairly good condition.

JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY.
Indiana mourns the loss of her son and poet, James Whitcomb Riley. Her sister States mourn with her and one of the saddest among them is Kentucky.

Kentucky loved the Hoosier Poet whose songs were so true to life and so adaptable to conditions in the Blue Grass State. One of the most pleasant evenings spent by Hartford people in years was when they sat in the College Hall two years ago and listened to a sketch of the life of Riley and heard his songs resung by an able lyceum reader. They are sorry now that the string of poems is completed and that one with such a clear vision of nature has returned to the dust from whence he came. They think they're sad and can only murmur, "I bid you thus a fond farewell too deep for words or tears to tell."

THE WESTERN NORMAL LETTER.
In summing up educational conditions in Western Kentucky the Western Normal Letter for June, prepared by Prof. A. C. Burton, contains the following:

"In Western Kentucky we have a population of about a million and a third. Practically a million of them live in the open country. Nearly all of them are native born white people. More than two-thirds of them own the land on which they live.

All this is good, but many of the children go to school irregularly or do not go. For those who go the term is short, the equipment not the best, and the teachers often poorly trained.

"From the children who should now be in school we shall need for the future five thousand teachers, five thousand lawyers, doctors and ministers, forty thousand business men, forty thousand skilled laborers. The schools may be able to furnish these, but we shall also need one hundred eighty thousand housekeepers, and one hundred thirty thousand farmers, all of whom should have culture, high ideals and skill for their work. We have been measuring our schools by their ability to furnish leaders. We must come to measure them by their ability to prepare the whole mass for effective work and citizenship.

"The Normal School is anxious to see the problem as a whole and to assume its full responsibility for future Western Kentucky. But may we not hope to have the assistance and co-operation of every teacher, every county superintendent, every trustee and eventually of every citizen? Our problem is great, but it can be solved. May we count on you to help?"

Prof. Burton is right. The problem is great, but he is also right when he says that it can be solved. The Normal is making great strides along this line but the Normal, going it alone, can never accomplish the aim. We must all get behind in this work and sweeten the fragrance of the Pennyrite with a flavor of efficacy.

Administratrix' Notice.

All persons having claims against the estate of the Rev. C. C. Taylor, deceased, are hereby notified to present same to me for a settlement, properly proven as required by law, within sixty days from this date, at my home near Bell's Run, in Ohio county, Kentucky.

This July 14th, 1916.
AMERICA F. TAYLOR,
Administratrix.

BRANDEIS RESIGNS FROM JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS

Boston, July 24.—Louis D. Brandeis, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, today tendered his resignation from the Executive Committee of the American Jewish Relief Organization and the Jewish Congress. In explanation of this action, his secretary, Jacob De Haas, said that the Justice's judicial duties prevented him from giving the necessary time to the work of the committees.

Mr. De Haas said that a report that Justice Brandeis was considering retirement from all Jewish activities was incorrect, and that he still retained interest in various organizations.

The Justice started today for a vacation of ten days.

NOTICE.

The Fiscal Court of Ohio county will receive sealed bids for one 10-ton Road Roller and one road Sprinkler, at County Court Clerk's office in court house, Hartford, Ky., until 10 o'clock a. m., August 9, 1916. A certified check for \$150 must accompany each bid.

This 11th day of July, 1916.
T. H. BENTON,
County Road Engineer.

WILL PURCHASE SOUTHERN ISLES

U. S. GOVERNMENT TO PAY DEMARK \$25,000,000 FOR WEST INDIES.

DEAL ON SINCE CIVIL WAR

Secretary Seward Tried to Purchase Islands in 1865—Roosevelt Accepted Price of \$5,000,000.

Washington, July 25.—It was officially announced at the White House today that negotiations are practically completed for the purchase of the Danish West Indies by the United States from Denmark for \$25,000,000. The treaty closing the transaction, which will probably be signed today, was sent to the senate.

While the details are not given out it is understood that the United States will come into the immediate possession of the islands. Word from Denmark says that the treaty is practically certain of ratification by the Danish parliament.

The negotiations, a continuation of conversations carried on unsuccessfully in 1901, and again in 1910, were resumed several months ago. It is understood that Denmark, feeling the pinch of war, desired to rid herself of the island, not as a financial proposition, but to eliminate one troublesome element in maintaining her neutrality. The United States in 1910 signified a willingness to buy, but the offer made by Denmark then was withdrawn before any conclusion was reached.

Lying near Porto Rico, the islands are said by naval officials to possess excellent advantages as a naval base and coaling station. In the archipelago are the islands of St. Thomas, St. John and St. John. The price offered by the United States in 1901 was \$4,000,000.

Early Treaty Failed.

The acquisition of the islands by the United States has been the subject of diplomatic negotiation since the Civil War. Secretary Seward began negotiations for their acquisition in 1865, because of the naval operations of the war had shown the necessity of a base in the West Indies. A treaty was made and ratified by Denmark, but the United States Senate failed to act on it in proper time and it lapsed. President Wilson, in his volume on Congressional Government, written about 1883, referred to the incident as the "treaty-marring overpower of the Senate."

Ineffectual efforts were made to reopen the negotiations during President Grant's administration, and in 1902, soon after President Roosevelt came into office, Secretary Hay took up the subject, and Denmark offered the islands for \$5,000,000. The United States this time ratified the treaty, but the Danish Senate defeated it. It was said at the time in diplomatic circles that German opposition influential in the Danish Parliament was responsible for the defeat of the plan. Later judgment, however, attributed the opposition to Danish aristocrats. This opposition is still said to exist, and it is said if the proposed treaty is ratified by both Governments the transfer will be submitted to the people of the islands. In the first negotiation in 1865 they approved a change.

Political Appointments.

That the prisons of Kentucky are fast being put back into politics is evinced by the rapid changes in the personnel of the prison employees being made daily by Governor Stanley or the board of prison commissioners, at his request.

Three changes within a few days occurred this week. Warden A. J. G. Wells was removed from the penitentiary at Frankfort and replaced by T. Mack Phythian, a personal attendant of Governor Stanley during his campaign and since.

John W. Mullikin was deposed from his position as head of the Houses of Reform at Greendale and Ernest J. Howell, of Owensboro, manager of Stanley's congressional and gubernatorial campaigns in that county, succeeded him.

Eugene Ray, of Louisville, was replaced as secretary of the state board of prison commissioners by Ed Shinnick, of Shelbyville. The rapid changes, following on the heels of the administration prison law passed by the 1916 legislature indicate that Governor Stanley is bent on using the prison board and its power for political purposes.

Ernest J. Howell, who now is charged with the reform of erring boys and girls at Greendale, was a deputy sheriff in Daviess county. He has lived in Owensboro for some time. Several years ago he started there as a barber and later engaged

in the saloon business, and was indicted in the Davies circuit court for permitting gambling in a room above the saloon. The indictment has been filed away.

Shortly after he was indicted Howell moved to West Louisville, a village twenty miles west of Owensboro, where he again engaged in the barbering business and conducted a sort drink stand. Howell is said to be a man of little education, but is nevertheless charged with the character formation of children.

Stanley endeavored to have Howell appointed postmaster of Owensboro two years ago, but the recommendation was never sent to the president. It is stated in Owensboro that certified copies of the indictment were mailed to the postmaster general.

During the administration of Warden Wells, it is generally admitted, the Frankfort penitentiary has made great progress, but political debts demanded Wells' head. Phythian was a deputy warden under a past administration. During Stanley's past campaign Phythian traveled about the state with him in the capacity of major domo, and was rewarded after the election with a position in the governor's ante-room, pending the expiration of Warden Wells' term.—Louisville Post.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS IN TOWN

Mr. John P. Haswell, Jr., of Hardinsburg, candidate for Congress in the Republican primary to be held August fifth, next, is in Ohio county this week making a canvass.

When seen by a reporter of The Republican he said that he had made a thorough canvass of the district and had no doubt of winning the nomination, easily. His home county, (Breckinridge) will give him a larger majority than any of his opponents will get in their home counties. He is assured that he will carry at least eight, and perhaps nine, counties out of the thirteen in the district.

Mr. Haswell has conducted his campaign on a high plane and it has been entirely free from any abuse of his opponents. His wide and extensive acquaintance throughout the Fourth District is a valuable asset to him in his race and would make him a very formidable candidate against Congressman Ben Johnson in November.

Mr. Haswell thinks that the election of Hughes and Fairbanks is certain and that the chances to carry the Fourth district and Kentucky are more than even. In the campaign last fall Mr. Haswell made six speeches in Ohio county for Judge Slack, Hon. C. E. Smith and Hon. Ed Morrow and the State ticket and therefore feels that he has some claim for favorable consideration from Ohio county voters.

SENATOR MAKES CHARGES

Says Guard Was Sent to Border Under False Pretenses.

Washington, July 24.—Charges that the National Guard was sent to the Mexican border under false pretenses were made by Senator Townsend today during debate on the army appropriation bill. He urged that the military forces not in actual service ought to be sent home.

"It is now apparent to everybody that the National Guard is not going to Mexico, and they were mobilized under false pretenses," said the Senator. "Diplomatic correspondence between the United States and Mexico disclose that there never was any intention of sending them into Mexico."

Heavy reductions in army bill items made Saturday were not continued today. A reaction of sentiment apparently had set in. Several Senators urged that retrenchment should not be carried too far because of the present favorable aspect of the Mexican situation, and a proposal to cut in half a \$5,000,000 appropriation for small arms drew protests from Senators Summings, Jones, Townsend and others.

"There can be no mistake in appropriating liberally for manufacture of small arms," said Senator Jones. "We read of improved conditions on the border, but notwithstanding this an outbreak may occur any moment that will make it necessary for us to send more soldiers in Mexico."

The Senate, however, by a vote of 25 to 23, agreed to cut the appropriation to \$2,500,000. Senator Reed insisted a majority did not know what they were voting for and gave notice he would ask for another vote when the bill got out of the committee of the whole.

"I'm afraid these Louis XV. heels are much too high for me. Perhaps you have lower ones—say about Louis X would do, I think."—London Opinion.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

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MANY GUARDSMEN ON BORDER DISSATISFIED

1,500 WHO HAVE DEPENDENTS ASK FOR RELEASES EACH WEEK.

San Antonio, Tex., July 26.—Applications for release from service of National Guardsmen with persons dependent upon them are pouring into army headquarters at Fort Sam Houston at the rate of 1,500 a week, it was announced today. Several hundred already have been released.

The vast majority of the applications do not come from the guardsmen themselves, but from wives, mothers and sisters, and Congressmen interested in their cases. Twenty-five releases were signed this morning.

Military authorities say that because of the release of Guardsmen with dependents and the prospect that many other Guardsmen will be freed from service so that they may return to college, the military situation in one respect soon will be greatly changed. When the movement of the National Guardsmen began, they say, there were many men without equipment, whereas the future will see much equipment without men.

FORDSVILLE ITEMS.

July 25.—We are having some hot weather just now.

A series of meetings began at the Christian church last night, conducted by Rev. Delaware Scott.

A Bible Institute will be held at the Baptist church, beginning Wednesday, July 26th, and continues until Sunday, July 30th. Quite a number of good speakers are on the programme and all are expecting a great time.

Miss Virginia Loyd, of Louisville, is visiting friends and relatives here.

Miss Ida Franks, of Owensboro, is the guest of Mrs. E. P. Rodgers.

D. M. Jones and wife are in Louisville for a few weeks.

The ice cream supper given by the W. Y. A. was a success.

Mr. P. C. Cooper, wife and daughter, Rachel Ellen; Mrs. Albert Quinsberry and daughter, Martha A., have returned from Dawson Springs.

Mrs. E. P. Rodgers and children and Miss Ida Franks, were the guest

of her mother, Mrs. Fisher, of Rockvale, from Saturday until Monday.

Galen Hines, of Hines & Co., visited in Owensboro Sunday.

Uncle Poke Gillmore and wife are at Dawson Springs for two weeks.

E. J. Morrison, of Cecilia, is the guest of his grandmother, Mrs. Josephine Rogers.

Mrs. Frank Bennett and little son, Joseph, were the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Allen, Friday and Saturday.

Notice—Drainage Bond Sale.

Allison Haynes, et al., vs.—Bond sale, Public Ditch or Drain.

Notice is hereby given that the Ohio County Board of Drainage Commissioners will on August 14th, 1916, at about 1 o'clock p. m., at the court house door in Hartford, Ky., offer at public outcry to the highest and best bidder, bonds against the lands and land owners, on which the original assessment for cost of construction and cost of the proceedings which said land-owners have not fully paid. The total amount of said bonds as appears by report of Treasurer of Ohio county now amounts to \$1,776.08 with interest from February 18th, 1916, and also plus cost of advertising, printing and sale of said bonds.

Said bonds will be due and payable in ten equal annual installments, each with interest coupons attached. The first bond will be due and payable on February 18th, 1918, and one installment on the same date each year thereafter until the tenth or last installment has been paid. Said bonds will bear six per cent interest per annum, payable annually on the 18th day of February hereafter until the last installment has been fully paid.

No bid for less than par value will be considered and the Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, not in accordance therewith.

Given under our hands, this the 27th day of July, 1916.

OHIO COUNTY BOARD OF DRAINAGE COMMISSIONERS.

S. T. BARNETT, Pres.

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